

January 13, 1976

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Motion carries. The Committee amendment is adopted. Senator Kennedy.

SENATOR KENNEDY: There is another amendment up there.

CLERK: Senator Kennedy offers another amendment. Read. See page 201, Journal.

SENATOR KENNEDY: It is a simple amendment. If you remember, Senator Wally Barnett mentioned they had changed the name and it should be administrator, which this will correct. I would move for this amendment adoption. I would move for the adoption of this amendment.

PRESIDENT: Any further discussion? The question is the adoption of the second amendment, here. Please vote. Record.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays.

PRESIDENT: The amendment is adopted. Senator Kennedy.

SENATOR KENNEDY: I would now move for the advancement of LB 545 with the amendments to E & R Initial.

PRESIDENT: Discussion. Senator Keyes.

SENATOR KEYES: Mr. Speaker, and I think Senator Kennedy will probably answer this, as the bill now stands, a minor who has been in a state institution and somebody along the line has left him some money, so that when he comes out of this institution he will not have to figure some way of getting back into society, and now this allows the state to take from this fund that has been left to this youth as much of that fund as has been required by that institution to take care of him, they can take up until he only has \$2000 left. Is that right?

SENATOR KENNEDY: Yes, in other instance, this has always been true and it will be.

SENATOR KEYES: It has been \$750 or \$1500 before, hasn't it?

SENATOR KENNEDY: Yes, now it will be increased to \$2000 and he will have an opportunity to pay his fair share of his cost in the institution.

SENATOR KEYES: Now I understand that at the \$2000 he is eligible, when he comes out, for welfare assistance.

SENATOR KENNEDY: Well, I think many other people are, too, but this is not what we are creating. What we are trying to do is assist him and raise it from \$750 to \$2000 so that he will have an opportunity to have that amount.

PRESIDENT: Record your vote. Record.